

This Resolution is to be presented to the Monticello City Council at the next planned City Council Meeting.

RESOLUTION NO. 19-23

A RESOLUTION EXPRESSING THE WILLINGNESS OF

The City of Monticello

TO UTILIZE FEDERAL-AID TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM FUNDS

WHEREAS, *The City of Monticello* understands Federal-aid Transportation Alternatives Program Funds are available at 80% federal participation and 20% local match to develop or improve **Monticello Sidewalks 2019**, and

WHEREAS, *The City of Monticello* understands that Federal-aid Funds are available for this project on a reimbursable basis, requiring work to be accomplished and proof of payment prior to actual monetary reimbursement, and

WHEREAS, this project, using federal funding, will be open and available for use by the general public and maintained by the applicant for the life of the project.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY *Monticello City Council* THAT:

**SECTION I:** *The City of Monticello* will participate in accordance with its designated responsibility, including maintenance of this project.

**SECTION II:** *Mayor Paige Chase* is hereby authorized and directed to execute all appropriate agreements and contracts necessary to expedite the construction of the above stated project.

**SECTION III:** *Monticello City Council* pledges its full support and hereby authorizes the Arkansas Department of Transportation to initiate action to implement this project.

THIS RESOLUTION adopted this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2018.

Signed: *Paige Chase*  
*Paige Chase, Mayor*

ATTEST:  
(SEAL)

*[Signature]*

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## Attachment A

### Item #1 – Monticello Sidewalk Grant Application

The scope of this project is actually the fourth phase of the City's multiphase sidewalk project. The first three phases are complete. These three phases are consistent with the City's Sidewalk Master Plan that was originally adopted several years ago. The first three phases were placed along Highway 425, in hopes that someday, these sidewalks would connect to the City Park Complex, and the Monticello School District Complex. This proposed Phase will accomplish this task.

Not only will this phase provide connectivity to the School Complex and City Park, this phase also includes the installation of a pedestrian crosswalk (with signalization) on Highway 425, near the entrance to the largest commercial shopping center in our City. This has been needed for some time, however, the need became most apparent with an accident that occurred at this location a few months ago. A visiting college sports team was staying at a local hotel across the street from the shopping center. A young man, attempting to cross Highway 425, was struck by an automobile and severely injured. A safe pedestrian crosswalk in this area would hopefully not allow this event to repeat itself.

The estimated total length of this project is 10,530 feet, or approximately 2 miles. The sidewalks are planned along the following streets and highways in the City:

- **US Highway 425 (both sides of the highway, from US Highway 278 to Old Warren Road)** – this extension will connect the existing sidewalks along Highway 425, at Highway 278, to the sidewalks existing along Old Warren Road that presently connect to the School Complex. When complete, a traversable route will exist connecting the commercial areas of the City, with the City Park, and the School Complex. Several neighborhoods will be connected to this infrastructure with this phase.
- **US Highway 278 (from Daniel Drive to Meadowview Drive West)** – several years ago, the City placed sidewalks along Highway 278, from Highway 425 to near Daniel Drive. This extension will continue this sidewalk through the Western Pines development along Highway 278. Western Pines is one of the largest and oldest developments in the City. Most of the homes in this area are owned or rented by young couples with children that attend the Monticello Schools. Also, this extension would provide another section of sidewalk that would eventually connect the City with their Sports Complex located West of the City on the same Highway 278.
- **Proposed Crosswalk & Intersection Pedestrian Signalization** – this will include an ADA approved electronic signalization component to the red light located at the intersection of Highway 278, and the entrance into the City's largest shopping center. The need for this is explained in detail in the first paragraphs of this section.

## Attachment B

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### Item #2 – Monticello Sidewalk Grant Application

The purpose of this project is to provide a safe transportation alternative from the common use of vehicles in the City. This project will help promote exercise, and a healthier life style.

Whereas the above is the purpose of this project, other benefits include: a connecting walking path to most neighborhoods and other destinations such as the Monticello School Complex, the City Park Complex, Commercial Shopping Centers, and neighborhoods along the way. In the past, the City has been fortunate to receive grants for the existing sidewalks from the programs administered through ARDOT, and AHTD.